

# Simple Zipper Pouch

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RS - Right Side

WS - Wrong Side

Baste - Sew with a long stitch to hold fabric together.

Press - Use iron to press down fabric.

Follow directions closely and watch for seam allowance changes.

# Materials

The materials required for this bag use very little fabric. This is a great project for using up scraps!

- ¼ yard Main Fabric
- ¼ yard Lining Fabric
- ¼ yard Fusible Fleece
- 9" Zipper
- Thread to Match

If you are using up scrap fabric, make sure you have enough Main fabric and Lining fabric to make two 6"x9" rectangles.

# Cutting

From the Main Fabric and Lining Fabric, cut 2 rectangles from each that measure 6" x 9".

From the Fusible Fleece, cut 2 rectangles that measure 5 ¾" x 8 ¾".

# Preparation

Center Fusible Fleece to WS of Lining Fabric and fuse in place. Repeat for other Lining Fabric. Sandwich Main Fabric on top of fusible fleece to make a "mini quilt". The Lining should be facing RS down, the fleece should be fused to the lining, and the Main Fabric should be laying RS up on top of the fleece. Baste around "mini quilt" with a ¼" seam allowance. Repeat for other side of pouch.



If you would like to quilt your pouch pieces, now would be the time to do so.

Serge around all sides of each pouch piece. (If you do not have a serger, a blanket stitch or zig-zag stitch works really well.)



Baste both of the pouch pieces RS together with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " seam allowance. Press seam open. Place zipper face down on the open seam on the WS of the pouch pieces. Measure  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in from each end of pouch and stitch both edges of the zipper closed. See picture for example.



Pin zipper to seam allowances. With zipper foot, sew as close to zipper as possible. Repeat on both sides of zipper to attach it to the pouch pieces.



Once the zipper has been attached to the seam allowances on both pouch pieces, unzip the zipper. This will make it much easier to turn the pouch right sides out when finished. Fold pouch with RS together and sew the three remaining sides of the pouch with a 1/2" seam allowance. Turn pouch right sides out through zipper and push out corners. Press. Fill up your new pouch and zip it up! You're done!

If you have any questions or need help with these directions, feel free to e-mail me at:

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